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House Resolution 849

By: Representatives Cheokas of the 134th and Hanner of the 148th

A RESOLUTION

- 1 Honoring and remembering the life of Mr. Thomas Everette McLeod; and for other purposes.
- 2 WHEREAS, the State of Georgia has lost one of its most esteemed citizens with the passing
- of Mr. Thomas Everette McLeod on Wednesday morning, February 7, 2007; and
- 4 WHEREAS, Mr. McLeod was a noted former police officer, businessman, and tireless
- 5 servant of the community of Americus, Georgia; and
- 6 WHEREAS, he was born in Fitzgerald on December 1, 1929, to the late Thomas Everette
- 7 McLeod, Sr., and Sadie Victoria Davis McLeod and was a descendant of Jefferson Davis,
- 8 president of the Confederacy; and
- 9 WHEREAS, Mr. McLeod was a graduate of Fitzgerald High School and was an athlete on
- 10 the football, track, and baseball teams, as well as a member of the band; and
- WHEREAS, he attended Georgia Southwestern College and the University of Georgia and
- 12 was a member of the First Christian Church, where he served in the roles of deacon, elder,
- 13 Sunday school superintendent, and chairman of the board; and
- 14 WHEREAS, he served nobly as a police officer of the Americus Police Department and was
- 15 the manager of the Americus Hatchery, a retiree of the Sumter County School System, a
- member of the national guard, serving as master sergeant, and a member of the Masonic
- 17 Lodge 13 of Americus, where he previously served as worshipful master; and
- 18 WHEREAS, he was an avid sportsman and hunter, devoted to the conservation of wildlife
- and the development of young hunters; and
- WHEREAS, his unshakable devotion to his community was only surpassed by his love for
- 21 his family, and he was the best dad four girls could ever have; and

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1 WHEREAS, Mr. McLeod leaves behind his beloved wife, Annette Player McLeod; four

- 2 daughters, Victoria Kay McLeod Flom, Tommie Anne McLeod, Sadie McLeod Taylor, and
- 3 Naomi McLeod Mims; six grandchildren, Jessica Shantha, Erica Shantha, Lauren Shantha,
- 4 Candace Mims, Margaret McLeod Taylor, and Thomas Douglas McLeod Mims; six
- 5 step-grandchildren; and a host of relatives, colleagues, and neighbors; and
- 6 WHEREAS, he commanded the esteem of his fellow Georgians, and his memory will
- 7 undoubtedly live on in the hearts of his family and friends.
- 8 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that
- 9 the members of this body join in honoring and remembering the outstanding life of Mr.
- 10 Thomas Everette McLeod and in recognizing his extensive contributions to the community
- of Americus, the State of Georgia, and the United States of America.
- 12 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized
- and directed to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to the family of Mr. Thomas
- 14 Everette McLeod.